IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 32 and 38-43 without prejudice.

Please amended the following claims:

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• 30. (Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:

a gate electrode formed on a gate dielectric formed on a substrate surface, the gate electrode having a first thickness;

a gate silicon germanium film formed on the gate electrode, the gate silicon germanium film having a second thickness;

a gate silicide layer formed on the gate silicon germanium film, the gate silicide layer having a third thickness;

a pair of sidewall spacers on opposite sides of the gate electrode, the sidewall spacers having a first height above the substrate surface, the first height greater than the sum of the first and second and third thicknesses;

a pair of source and drain regions formed on opposite sides of said gate electrode, said source and drain regions having a silicon germanium film formed beneath said substrate surface.

2. 31. The semiconductor device of claim 30, wherein the gate electrode is polysilicon.

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3. \$3. (Amended) The semiconductor device of claim 30 further comprising:

a silicide layer formed on the silicon germanium film of said source and drain regions.

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(Amended) The semiconductor device of claim 38 further comprising:

an isolation region having a top surface positioned below the top surface of the silicon germanium film of said source and drain regions.

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35. The semiconductor device of claim 38 further comprising: an isolation region having a top surface positioned below the silicide layer.

4. 36. (Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:

a silicon gate electrode formed on a gate dielectric formed on a substrate surface, the silicon gate electrode having a first thickness;

a gate silicon germanium film formed on the silicon gate electrode, the gate silicon germanium film having a second thickness;

a gate silicide layer formed on the gate silicon germanium film, the gate silicide layer having a third thickness[, the third thickness greater than the first thickness];

a pair of sidewall spacers on opposite sides of the silicon gate electrode, the sidewall spacers having a first height above the substrate surface, the first height greater that the sum of the first and second and third thicknesses;

a pair of source/drain regions formed on opposite sides of the silicon gate electrode;

a source/drain silicon germanium film formed on the source/drain regions wherein said silicon germanium film is formed below said substrate surface; and

a source/drain silicide layer formed on the source/drain silicon germanium film.

7. 37. The semiconductor device of claim 36 wherein the silicon gate electrode is polysilicon.

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- 39. Cancelled.
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- 41. Cancelled.
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